

## **USGS Education Resources for Teachers**

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Discover a wealth of curricular ideas, scientific data, maps, and other resources to support biology, geography, geology, geospatial data, and hydrology!

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| Educational Resources for Primary, Secondary, and University Educators and Students  http://education.usgs.gov | Tap into over 130 years of USGS research in the natural sciences in the form of lesson plans and activities, maps, podcasts, online lectures, videos and animations, and much more. Browse thousands of ideas for using these resources in elementary, secondary, university, and informal education settings. | Geologic Hazards at Volcanoes  Geologic Hazards at Volcanoes  Sustainability of Ground-Water Resources  Sustainability of Ground-Water Resources  Formation Formation  Formation  Formation Formation  Formation Formation  Formation Formation |
| Online Lectures  http://education.usgs.gov/lectures. html  | Bring USGS scientists directly into your classroom through high-resolution online lectures covering topics from biology to volcanoes. Most lectures are targeted to a general audience and are suitable for grades 8 through university.   | USGS INC. THE PARTY OF THE PAR |
| Educational Animations and Films  http://education.usgs.gov/videos.html  | Enliven classroom presentations with this collection of USGS videos and animations for use in stand-alone lessons or lesson planning. Contents represent the broad scope of USGS science and range from 10 second animations to hour-long, award winning films.  |   |
| Social Media  http://www.usgs.gov/socialmedia  | Keep up with USGS science through social media. Follow the USGS on Twitter and Facebook; subscribe to news feeds and real-time earthquake alerts; listen to podcasts about current events; and get automatic updates on science topics, new publications, and new videos.                                      | SUBSCRIBE   |
| Earthquake Hazards  http://earthquake.usgs.gov   | Did you feel an earthquake today? Check out real-time earthquake information, record your own earthquake observations, and sign up for automatic earthquake alerts. Explore links to earthquake FAQs, summary posters, ShakeMaps, historical events, preparedness, and more.                                   |   |

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| Volcano Resources for Educators  http://volcanoes.usgs.gov/about               | Learn about volcanoes in the United States. and around the globe! Check out the Volcano Status Map for real-time information, read volcano FAQs, download educational posters and teacher guidebooks, view volcano movies, and explore additional teaching resources.   | <b>ZUSGS</b>   |
| Schoolyard Geology  http://education.usgs.gov/lessons/ schoolyard              | Wish you could take more field trips? You can! Your own schoolyard is filled with features analogous to geologic concepts. Discover activities and methods for turning your schoolyard into a rich investigative experience.  | Building Pavement Tree Grass Art Wall Sidewalk   |
| The Life Cycle of a Mineral Deposit  http://pubs.usgs.gov/gip/2005/17          | Introduce students to minerals through<br>ten activity-based learning exercises. A<br>teacher's guide covers basic geologic con-<br>cepts; the processes of finding, identifying,<br>and extracting mineral resources; and the<br>uses of minerals. Includes a glossary and a<br>list of minerals and their uses. K-12.                     |  |
| This Dynamic Planet & This Dynamic Earth  http://pubs.usgs.gov/imap/2800       | Gain an understanding of the forces that shape our continents through our top-selling map ( <i>This Dynamic Planet</i> ) showing tectonic plates, earthquakes, volcanoes, and impact craters. Follow a link to <i>This Dynamic Earth</i> , the most referenced source on plate tectonics. Both publications are designed for classroom use. | The second secon |
| The Geologic Time Spiral: A Path to the Past  http://pubs.usgs.gov/gip/2008/58 | The evolution of the Earth's plants and animals is recorded in its rock layers. Download or view this poster showing a bird's-eye look at the progression of geologic time and life on Earth.   | The Geologic Time Spiral—A Path to the Past  |
| Astrogeology  http://astrogeology.usgs.gov                                     | Use "Map-a-Planet" to customize and download your own images of the Moon, Mars, Venus, and other planets and moons. View beautiful planetary images and topography from various missions. Explore a planetary GIS database consisting of digital geologic maps, feature maps, topography, and remote-sensing data.                          | Venus Moon Mars  Callisto Europa Ganymede  |

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| Real-Time Water Flow and Water<br>Quality Data for Rivers Near Your<br>School, Home, and Across the USA<br>http://water.usgs.gov | Access real-time hydrographs that show how water levels have changed over time at thousands of gaging stations along streams and rivers. Compare years of floods to years of drought, and contrast the quality of water in your community with that in other locations.   | USGS 02110500 HUNTING CREEK MEAR HURHONY, NC  20000  1000    |
| Water Science for Schools  http://ga.water.usgs.gov/edu  | Dive into this interactive primer on everything you need to know about water and its crucial role on planet Earth. Includes pictures, data, maps, and tests of your water knowledge. An excellent glossary of water terms and useful links to other water sites are included. The Water Cycle portion of the site is translated into 50 languages, and the entire site is available in Spanish. | Water storage in the atmosphere Condensation Sublimation Evapotranspiration  Sublimation Evapotranspiration  Evaporation Surface runoff to streams Streamflow Evaporation Streams Streamflow Evaporation Streams Streamflow Evaporation Streams Streamflow Evaporation Spring Freshwater Storage In oceans Streamflow Ground-water storage In oceans Streamflow Institute Streamflow Institute Streamflow Evaporation Spring Freshwater Storage In oceans In Streamflow Institute Strea |
| Global Climate Change  http://www.usgs.gov/global_change   | Explore aspects of climate change science including sea-level change, impacts on polar bears and other species, carbon sequestration, drought, glaciers, coral mortality, and more.   |  |
| USGS Kids  http://education.usgs.gov/kids  | Learn about biology in the K-6 classroom through stories, nature games, coloring pages, puzzles, and fun projects. Topics include bee population declines, climate change, dealing with wildlife, and animal sounds.  |  |
| North America Amphibian Monitoring<br>Program<br>http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/naamp  | Join a collaborative effort to monitor populations of vocal amphibians. The USGS provides coordination and database management. Regional partners recruit and train volunteers like you, to collect amphibian population data by their unique vocalizations. Grades 10 and up.  |  |
| North American Breeding Bird Survey  http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbs  | Get involved by collecting data to contribute to a long-term avian monitoring program that tracks the status and trends of North American bird populations. More than 400 species are monitored. Take the Bird Quiz after exploring videos, descriptions, and bird songs. Grades 10 and up.   |  |

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| Looking at the Earth  Image Gallery http://eros.usgs.gov/imagegallery                          | Image Gallery: High-resolution, downloadable satellite images that showcase individual states and scenes of distinctive aesthetic beauty.  |  |
| Earthshots http://earthshots.usgs.gov  EarthNow! Landsat Image Viewer http://earthnow.usgs.gov | Earthshots: A collection of before-and-after Landsat satellite images showing environmental change and introducing remote sensing concepts.  EarthNow! Landsat Image Viewer: Watch a mesmerizing live feed of images from the Landsat 5 and Landsat 7 satellites that monitor changes in the Earth's land surface. |  |
| The National Atlas  http://nationalatlas.gov   | Make your own customized maps using data sets from the USGS and 17 other organizations — everything from A (aquifers) to Z (zebra mussels). Also download pre-made page size maps including outline maps of the U.S., presidential election maps, territory acquisitions, and more.                                | TANDA DA CANADA  |
| Teaching with Topographic Maps  http://education.usgs.gov/lessons/ teachingtopomaps.html       | Discover over 27 ways to use USGS topographic maps as an effective tool to teach about topics like coordinate systems, datums, map projections, geographic names, physical features, the Public Land Survey System, and topographic profiles.  |  |
| Park Geology in 3D  http://3dparks.wr.usgs.gov/index.html                                      | Take a 3D or standard photography tour of<br>the rocks and geology in over 60 national<br>parks, monuments, historic sites, forests,<br>and other public areas.  |  |
| USGS Store http://store.usgs.gov   | Browse the Education Products section of the USGS Store to find maps, posters, and publications appropriate for the classroom. Use the Map Locator to find and download free digital topographic maps including the new generation US Topo maps.   | Ligary Floods in the little When They Rapper and 12 hanged may the order of the Control of the C |
| ASK USGS - Personalized, Expert Help  http://ask.usgs.gov  or  1-888-ASK-USGS (1-888-275-8747) | Access and use the best USGS resource of all — its people. Our Science Information Services (SIS) network of information specialists can help you find and use our science information and our products, whether you are an educator, a student, or an interested citizen.   |  |